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"The said Commissioner of Public Works, shall, from time to time, establish scales of rents for the supplying of Croton water, which rents shall be collected in the manner now provided by law."—*Chap.* 574, *Sec.* 5, *Session Laws of* 1871.

The regular annual rents to be collected by the Department of Public Works shall be as follows, to wit:

Croton Water Rates for Buildings from 16 *to* 50 *feet, all others not specified subject to Special Rates, as established by Ordinance of the Common Council, March,* 1851.

Front Width.	1 Story.	2 Stories.	3 Stories.	4 Stories.	5 Stories.
16 feet and under	$4 00	$5 00	$6 00	$7 00	$8 00
16 to 18 feet	5 00	6 00	7 00	8 00	9 00
18 to 20 feet	6 00	7 00	8 00	9 00	10 00
20 to 22½ feet	7 00	8 00	9 00	10 00	11 00
22½ to 25 feet	8 00	9 00	10 00	11 00	12 00
25 to 30 feet	10 00	11 00	12 00	13 00	14 00
30 to 37½ feet	12 00	13 00	14 00	15 00	16 00
37½ to 50 feet	14 00	15 00	16 00	17 00	18 00

The apportionment of the regular rents upon dwelling houses, are on the basis that but one family is to occupy the

same, and for each additional family, the sum of one dollar per year shall be charged.

Each flat or suit of rooms for one family shall be charged ten dollars per year where they have hot and cold water, stationary wash tubs, bath, and water closet, with the privilege of using meter.

METERS will be placed on all houses where waste of water is found, and they will be charged at rates fixed by the Department for all the water passing through them.

The rent of all tenements which shall exceed in width fifty feet shall be the subject of special contract with the Commissioner of Public Works.

The extra and miscellaneous rates shall be as follows, to wit:

BAKERIES.—For the average daily use of flour, for each barrel, the sum of three dollars per annum.

BATHING TUBS in private houses, beyond one, at three dollars per annum each, and five dollars per annum each in public houses, boarding houses, bathing establishments, and barber shops.

BOARDING SCHOOLS shall be charged at the rate of from fifteen to fifty dollars each; and school houses at the rate of from ten to twenty dollars each per annum.

BUILDING PURPOSES.—For each one thousand bricks laid, or for stone-work—to be measured as brick—ten cents per thousand. For plastering, forty cents per hundred yards.

COW STABLES.—For each and every cow, the sum of seventy-five cents per annum.

FOUNTAINS or jets are prohibited.

For all stables not metered, the rates shall be as follows:

HORSES, PRIVATE.—For two horses there shall be charged the sum of six dollars per annum; and for each additional horse, the sum of two dollars.

HORSES, LIVERY.—For each horse up to and not exceeding thirty in number, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents each per annum; and for each additional horse, the sum of one dollar.

HORSES, OMNIBUS AND CART.—For each horse, the sum of one dollar per annum.

HORSE TROUGHS.—For each trough on sidewalks, the sum of twenty dollars per annum; each trough is to be fitted with a proper ball cock to prevent waste, this must be kept in order.

HOTELS AND BOARDING HOUSES shall, in addition to the regular rate for private families, be charged for each lodging room, at the discretion of the Commissioner of Public Works.

PORTER HOUSES, TAVERNS AND GROCERIES shall be charged an extra rate of either ten to twenty-five dollars, in the discretion of the Commissioner of Public Works. LAGER BEER SALOONS, with no water fixtures in the saloon, five dollars per annum.

PRINTING OFFICES AND REFECTORIES shall be charged at such rates as may be determined by the Commissioner of Public Works.

SLAUGHTER HOUSES shall be charged at the rate of five cents for every bullock slaughtered.

STEAM ENGINES shall be charged by the horse-power, as follows: for each horse-power up to and not exceeding

ten, the sum of ten dollars per annum; for each exceeding ten, and not over fifteen, the sum of seven dollars and fifty cents each; and for each horse-power over fifteen, the sum of five dollars.

The use of hose for washing sidewalks, stoops, areas, house-fronts, and about stables, is prohibited, because it is absolutely necessary to save water for more necessary purposes. Where premises are provided with wells, special permits will be issued for the use of hose, in order that the Police or Inspectors may understand that the permission is not for the use of Croton water.

Water Closets and Urinals.—To each building on a lot one water closet having sewer connection is allowed without charge, each additional water closet or urinal will be charged as hereinafter stated. All closets or urinals in which the Croton water from any service pipe or hydrant connecting with a privy vault or man-hole shall be charged two dollars for each seat per annum, whether in a building or on any other portion of the premises.

Water Closet Rates.—For hoppers, of any form, when water is supplied direct from the Croton supply, through any form of the so-called single or double valves, hopper cocks, stop cocks, self closing cocks, or any valve or cock of any description attached to the closet, each per year twenty dollars.

For any pan closet, or any of the forms of valve, plunger, or other water closet not before mentioned, supplied with water as above described, per year, ten dollars.

For any form of hopper, or water closet, supplied from the ordinary style of cistern filled with ball cock, and overflow pipe that communicates with the pipe to the water closet,

so that overflow will run into the hopper or water closet, when ball cock is defective, or from which an unlimited amount of water can be drawn by holding up the handle, per year, each, five dollars.

For any form of hopper or water closet, supplied from any of the forms of waste-preventing cisterns, that are approved by the Engineer of the Croton Aqueduct, which are so constructed that not more than three gallons of water, can be drawn at each lift of the handle, or depression of the seat, if such cisterns are provided with an overflow pipe, such overflow pipe must not connect with the water-closet, but be carried like a safe waste, as provided by the Board of Health Regulations, per year, two dollars.

Cistern answering this description can be seen at this Department.

Meters.

Under the provisions of section 73, chapter 335, Laws of 1873 (City Charter), water meters, of the pattern approved in accordance with said section 73 of the charter, shall be hereafter placed on the pipes supplying all stores, workshops, hotels, manufactories, public edifices, at wharves, ferry-houses, stables, and in all places where water is furnished for business consumption, except private dwellings.

It is provided by section 73, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, that "all expenses of meters, their connections and setting, water rates, and other lawful charges for the supply of Croton water, shall be a lien upon the premises where such water is supplied, as now provided by law." * *

All manufacturing and other business requiring a large supply of water will be fitted with a meter.

Water measured by meter, ten cents per one hundred cubic feet for all manufacturing or other purposes.

Rate Without Meters.

Per Day, Gallons.	Per 100 Gallons, Rate.	Per Annum, Amount.
25	05	$3 75
50	"	7 50
60	"	9 00
70	"	10 50
80	"	12 00
90	"	13 50
100	"	15 00
150	"	22 50
200	"	30 00
250	04½	33 75
300	04	36 00
350	03½	36 75
400	"	42 00
500	"	52 50
600	"	63 00
700	"	73 50
800	"	82 00
900	"	94 50
1,000	"	105 00
1,500	03	135 00
2,000	02½	150 00
2,500	"	180 00
3,000	"	225 00
4,000	02¼	280 00
4,500	"	303 75
5,000	"	333 50
6,000	02	360 00
7,000	"	420 00
8,000	"	480 00
9,000	"	540 00
10,000	"	600 00

The rate charged for steam-vessels taking water daily, or belonging to daily lines, is one-half per cent per ton (Custom House measurement) for each time they take water.

Steamers taking water other than daily, one per cent. per ton (Custom House measurement).

Water supplied to sailing vessels and put on board, twenty-five cents per hundred gallons.

All matters not hereinbefore embraced are reserved for special contract by and with the Commissioner of Public Works.

By Order,

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Department of Public Works,
Commissioner's Office, No. 31 Chambers St.,
New York, May 10, 1882.

John H. Chambers, *Water Register :*

Sir : — From your letter of this date, in reference to certain rates included in the scale of water rents established by me on the 1st instant, it appears that there is a misapprehension in regard to their application. In order that the matter may be clearly understood, I have to inform and instruct you that the new rates in reference to water closets are not intended to and do not apply to existing houses and fixtures, but will be applied to all new houses hereafter erected or completed, and to all existing houses where the water closets and fixtures therein referred may hereafter be put in. These water-closet rates are to go into general effect May 1, 1883.

Respectfully,

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,

Commissioner of Public Works.